

## Visit to the State Rooms in Speaker's House Westminster On 5th August at 11.30am



After several fruitless attempts we have finally been able to secure 14 places for a visit to Speakers House. We will be part of a general tour, but I am trying to agree a separate guide.

See where the Speaker of the House of Commons lives and conducts official business outside the Chamber. This guided tour offers you the unique opportunity to see inside the incredible rooms and get up close to some of the magnificent artworks, including portraits of Speakers through the years. Your official guide will share some lesser-known historical facts about the role of the Speaker - a role that has existed since 1377. You'll also see some surprising objects along the way and learn their origins and relationship to Parliament.

You will discover the history and traditions of the role of the Speaker and see the magnificent artworks on display including a unique set of 46 portraits of Speakers through the years.

This 75-minute fully accessible tour includes the Grand Staircase, the Crimson Drawing Room, the State Dining Room, and the State Bedroom. **PLEASE NOTE** there will be no seating in Speaker's House for the duration of the tour.

This tour will be very popular so members can express interest, but will not be allocated a place until the cost of the visit has been received by our Treasurer in full and it will be on a first come first received basis. It will be very popular so please do not be disappointed if you fail to secure a place.

You will be given details of where to meet and what security may be required by the Palace of Westminster shortly before the visit.

The tour starts at 11.30 and we must meet by 11.10 at the latest or entry will be refused.

The cost of the visit is £32.00 per person. For further information please contact our Visits Organiser, Tamara Rabin, at [visitstashh@gmail.com](mailto:visitstashh@gmail.com) or on 07791 211 524.

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The cost for this guided tour is **£32.00 per person** (non-refundable). If you can, please pay by making a bank transfer to the TASHH bank account, Sort Code: **20-36-16**, Account number: **40475416**, giving as reference **Speaker** and telling either Tamara or our treasurer Celia on [treasurerTASHH@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerTASHH@gmail.com) that you have done so.